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Alluding to the expert's report, Colonel Lane characterized it as "ridiculous and absurd," saying that the expert formed his opinion from prices while the awards were really made according to quality.

### The Proceedings.

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The fifteenth morning's session began at 9 o'clock, with Colonel Lane, Commissioner of Alospitals, still on the stand.

Witness said that there were no porches on the buildings on the female side. Witness said that such porches were necessary for the health of the patients, and that an appropriation should be made for this purpose.

Witness said that there had been a lack of harmony among the officers of the institution; that Dr. Southail had criticised Dr. Foster very harshly, but that the Special Board had told Dr. Southail that he must uphold the administration. Dr. Southail had for about three years been on friendly terms with the superintendent.

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Witness said that it was necessary for the good of the asylum for the physicians, at least, to be on friendly terms, so that they may act in concert.

Witness said that the General Board did not expect the superintendent to visit all the wards every day, but that it did expect the superintendent to visit the wards several times a week.

Witness said the attendants had no right to punish; that the patients were not held responsible for their own wild acts.

Witness said that both "burning" and "ducking" were improper and would be condemned both by himself and by the members of the General Board.

Witness told of his visit to Manhattan Hospital, where the patients are treated by baths. Witness said that the treatment was very successful. Witness said that at Manhattan there were special atth-rooms and special attendants for this treatment.

The treatment has not been practiced in

Virginia hospitals.

Witness said that the General Board has ordered that all restraints be removed from the hospitals and that this included straight jackets.

Witness was asked if he did not think
there should be some restraint.

Witness said:
"I certainly do not."
Witness was asked if three attendants on the ward of the Montague building (B. B. B.) were enough.
Witness said that these wards are so large that in his opinion there should be four attendants.

### No Restraints.

Witness said that there had been no restraints used here for some time. Staunton, he said, was the last to do away with restraints.

"The restraints used there were the cruelest I ever saw in any hospital."

Witness explained the system of straps that were used to bind the patients. The use of these restraints, witness said, belonged to the Fig.

beionged to the past.

Witness said he visited all four of the State hypitals once a month, attended once a year at each of the hospitals a meeting of the general board and made a special annual visit to each of the hospitals.

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Mitness in answer to a question by Mr. Ould, said that he had three years ago heard Dr. Foster speak harshly of Southall. Witness was asked to repeat the harsh

expressions.
Senator Rison objected.
Cotonel Lawless spoke eloquently in offjection. He urged that the past be not
dug up and that the harmony now existng, be not disturbed. Witness said that the criticisms oc

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## Good Business Man.

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Mr. Moore said he was a retired merchant; that he had made bids for the contracts. Witness then read out the contracts he had received.

Witness said he failed to get awards, and so stopped bidding.

Witness said that he had talked with





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Straws, \$1 up.

Mr. D. C. Richardson, a member of the board, and complained to him. Mr. Rich-ardson urged witness to bid, which he did, and secured awards thereafter.

### Secret Marks.

Witness said he got the bids by telling Mr. Richardson his secret marks that were on his samples. He said that Mr. Richardson told him afterwards that he (Richardson) had known the samples by the wrivate mark and had urged that his goods be awarded the contract, as his prices were the lowest.

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THEY CAN OUT OF IT—THE GOVERNOR APPOINTS TO DAY POINTE APPOINTS TO PAY POLITICAL DEBTS.

Mr. Ould asked-Q. Who asked for your

private marks?
A. Mr. D. C. Richardson.
Q. Do you think that was proper?
A. I do.

A. I do. Q. Do you not think it was very improper?

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"I tell you that it was very improper contrary to the rules of the hospit

"He was trying to find out about the



MR. J. S. MOORE

Colonel Lawless cross examined.
Witness said that he could not say tha
he had marked the bills for discount.

## Contradicted Himself.

Witness said, contradicting his previous

tions, but he "could not recoilect, Witness was asked if he had gives Richardson his PRIVATE MARK, He said he had.

I want to know if Judge D. C. Rich son got your private mark and used at a meeting of the Board of Di-"No. Sir."

A. "No, Sir."

Q. Then why did you say so just now?

Don't you know that you are charging

udge Richardson with a grave and dis
onorable action?

A. "I think him an honorable man."

Q. You are making him out a dishon-

ble man.
I don't think so.
Are you sure of all this?
This is my recollection.
I awless: "I respectfully rest the committee issue a summons
Judge Richardson."
hairman Sadler—"It will certainly be
ued."

and."
Colonel Luwiess—"Do you not know at Judge Richardson has not been a ember of the board since 1895?"
(Witness had said the affair had ov-

## Denounced the Charge.

Colonel Lawless then in an intensely armest speech denounced the charge made by J. S. Moore as "unqualifiedly

in high esteem."
"I shall probe this matter to the bottom. This witness has charged that the board of this institution and past boards were composed of 'rascals' and I latend to get to the bottom of this."

Chairman Sadler here attempted to stop Colonel Lawless declined to withdraw the expression, saying that "that man had used it and he denounced the expression."

## Withdrew Word.

In answer to questions asked by Mr. Ould, witness said he withdraw the word "rascals" and substituted "favoritism". Colond Lawless asked witness if he knew how the awards were made. Witness said he did not know. Witness here said that others had gotten bids on flour when he hid lower, but on cross-examination he said he didn't know anything about the grade. Witness finally acknowledged that he

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HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF.

knew nothing of his own knowledge about the award of contracts. Witness said that the request for hids all asked for a certain grade of flour. "You are sure of this?"

Q. "You A. Yes. Colonel Lawless then stated that the request for bids never set out the grade

request for bids never set out the grade of flour.

Moore here stated that he did not know of his own knowledge anything about the whole matter. That his sons had attended to the bids.

In answer to questions by Chairman Sadler, witness said that he had made no charges against D. C. Richardson. That he had, at his request, furnished him with the private bid marks. Witness said he requested Richardson, a member of the board, to look after his interests and to give him the award if all things were equal; that Richardson did this, and that witness' firm got the award. Witness said he saw no wrong in this. Witness said that Captain McCracken, of Fredericksburg (so Richardson told him) awarded the grocery contracts, and that he was a member of the firm of McCracken and Company, of Fredericksburg.

burg. (The inference was that Captain Me Cracken, who was a member of the board, awarded the contracts improp-

### Private Marks.

Mr. Pulliam asked the witness if he did not know that the "private marks" were not supposed to be known by any member of the hoard.

Witness said that he could not recol-

Witness said that he could not recollect.

Mr. Ould then read the rules, showing that private mark was used and that it should be kept secret.

Witness said he was quite certain that the name also appeared.

Witness here said that he was not sure that he had used a "private mark."

Q. "Then why did you call Mr. Richardson's attention to your mark, if it was your name?"

A. "Just to get him to give us a fair show; and, as we had been boys together, it was natural for him to do so."

Witness here stood aside.

Colonel Lane was recalled and continued his testimony. Witness said he was commissioner when Dr. Henderson was elected first assistant and Dr. Southall second assistant physicians. Witness aid Dr. Henderson was elected entirely on his qualifications; that he was not elected for political reasons, and that politics had never been mentioned.

Witness said that Dr. Hankins and Dr. Williams were both candidates for the resulting of first assistant.

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Colonel Lane explained that he had attempted to install an industrial building, but the Legislature would not give

This institution is the only on in the State that has no industrial building.

## Clowes Efficient.

Witness in answer to a question asked by the chairman, said that Mr. Clowes was a very efficient member of the

Witness said that Clowes had been ac-Witness said that Clowes had been active, but not more than others of the board in urging the improvement of the walk and grounds. He said that the landscape gardener had done good work. CHAIRMAN SADLER ASKED IF MR. CLOVES DOMINATED MR. COLE.

Mr. Lawless objected to the word "dominate," and the question was not

In answer to a question asked by Mr. Pulliam, Colonel Tawless said:
"I WILL STATE FOR THE INFORMATION OF THIS COMMITTEE THAT
ALL CONTRACTS ARE PURCHASED

"There is not a bidder in Virginia that I know, who does not hid for cash, and who loos not Teel that he will secure his money between the 1st and 10th of the month after the contracts are awarded." Witness then said that only a few bills

Witness then said that only a few bills are subject to discount, such as hats. Witness then alluded to the report of the expert accountant. "Is's an absolute injustice for that report to go out before the people of Virginia, branding the members of the committee for not having given the awards

to the lowest bidder.

We do not buy the lowest and cheapest goods for the patients and because a bidder is lowest is no reason, why his goods should be accepted."

## The Seventeen Items.

Colonel Lane then called attention to the fact that seventeen items, reported "We do not buy the lowest and cheapest Lane, had been explained and that four others had also been explained, leaving only nine instances not explained in a period of sight years.

period of eight years,
"That is a very good record."
"Are you an expert accountant?" said
Chairman Sadier.

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"I am enough of an accountant to say that I would never have brought in any such charges as are reported in the expert accountant's report, which you hold in your hand."

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THE EXPERTS SHOULD HAVE REPORTED FACTS AND SHOULD NOT
HAVE DRAWN CONCLUSIONS.
"I CONSIDER THE "CONCLUSIONS"
ARE ABSOLUTELY UNJUST."
Chairman Sadler said he did not want
any argument.
Colonel Lane said:
"I am critiched by that report and

"I am critched by that report and as I have no attorney, I feel that I have the right to defend myself."

Chairman Sadler then stated that the report of the experts was only evidence and was not conclusive, and would only be treated like other cyldence which could be diacrelled. Pulliam to Benator Badler:

"I am glad you are coming around to

Senator Sadler:
"I have not changed my mind in any

Witness, continuing, said that since bought a plane and a violin for this in-stitution, but that no other member of the board had purchased anything. Low Salaries.

Witness said that the salaries paid the officials in the hospitals in Virginia was twenty-five per cent, lower than those twenty-five per cent, lower than those paid in any other State in the United

States. Witness said that the officers were badly paid.
In telling of the charge of \$5 and \$10 a year for house rent, witness said that the board considered that it had the right

to make the rent nominal.

Witness thought it kept the salaries lower, as it was an added inducement.

Witness said the hospital would have to turnish them board and lodgings under the law, and that there were no rooms for them, so that they were allowed to use the buildings. to make the rent nominal.

use the buildings.
Witness alluding to the criticism of 🚮 Witness alluding to the criticism of the experts, made in their report, said that he did not believe the schedule alluding to discounts was correct. He said the bids were made for net cash. "I am satisfied that if Mr. Boudar had had the information before him, he would not have made the charge."

"The merchant knows that he is bidding for cash." "You learned this, Mr. Chairman, when you questioned the mer-

Chairman, when you questioned the mer-chants in Richmond." hairman, when you hants in Richmond."
Section: Sadler replied that he was not

of the stand.

Q. Cannot this institution be placed on a cash basis? A. "It is on a cash basis now, and the merchants bid the lowest price

cause they know their money is safe.

Committee then adjourned until 3 The committee met after dinner and continued the examination of Colonel

Lane.

Colonel Lane said that the superintendent should hold consultation over extremely ill patients.

Colonel Lane testified that Dr. Hender. son had complained that while he was acting superintendent, Dr. Foster's son had looked over the mail and taken out Dr. Foster's mail. Dr. Henderson thought he should first; handle the mail.

## Purchasing Supplies.

Witness was examined in detail regarding the method employed in purchasing supplies. Witness stated that he did not agree with the expert accountant in thinking that 2 per cent. could be saved in buying, for, said the witness, "we already buy for cash, and the merchants or understand it.

already buy for cash, and the merchants so understand it.
Witness sind he thought it would be well to advertise in the papers, as well as to send out requests for bids.
Witness said he did not consider it necessary for the superintendent to go through the wards every day, or with the physicians in charge. He thought the superintendent should go through the wards several times a week.

## THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Virginia-Fair Saturday; Sun lay showers; light to fresh south winds hivereasing.
North Carolina—Showers Saturday, except fulr in northeast portion; Sunday showers, variable winds, becoming northeast and fresh.

## Conditions Yesterday.

Highest temperature yesterday..... Lowest temperature yesterday.... Mean temperature yesterday.... Normal temperature for May...... Departure from normal temperature.

Thermometer This Day Last Year 

Conditions in Important Cities.

Charleston
Chicago, Ill.
Galveston, Tex.
Hatteras, N. C.
Jacksonville
Key West, Fla.
Moulle
New York City.
Norfolk, Va.
Savannah

## Miniature Almanac.

Sun rises. 4:55 HIGH TIDE. 8:31
Moon sets. 10:17 Evening. 6:51



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.."I think we have an excellently managed institution here. So far as I know, Dr. Foster has been faithful and efficient, and he is a good business man. I consider Dr. Foster and Dr. Drewry as exceptionally good business men."
The committee then adjourned to visit the fourth ward of the Montague Building, where the patients were bathed. The appointments were as handsome as the Jefferson Hotel, and Dr. Southall was highly complimented upon his department.

Witness then explained that the report only dealt with prices, while the awards were made for quality as much as price. Witness took the item cheese, and told that there were many grades of cheese

that there were many grades of cheese at different prices.
Chairman Sadler here read a letter from C. W. Antrim & Sons, which satisfactorily explained the alleged overcharge on sugar. Antrim had bid for sugar in sacks, and the steward ordered it in harrels at 5 cents per 100 pounds additional.

## Overcharges.

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In answer to a question from the chairman regarding the overcharge in bills for supplies furnished the hospital, Col. Lane said that there were but four instances where bills showed an overcharge. He had written to these firms, asking them to explain, and these explanations would be filed with the committee as soon as they were received. Witness said he thought the superintendent and other of-

thought the superintendent and other of-fleers should be allowed to use some dis-cretion.

"Then you think the special board is unnecessary?" asked the chairman.

"I think it is necessary," said Colonel

"I think it is necessary," said Colora Lane.

Witness said, in speaking of the removal of the whiskey from the store-room to the drug-room, that he agreed with Dr. Foster that it should be moved to the drug-room. Chairman then endeavored to have witness say that it would be well to place the purchases on a cash basis and so save 2 per cent, on supplies. Witness said that the supplies were now suppliesd on a cash basis.

Witness said that the supplies purchased on a cash basis.

"Your question is misleading, Mr. Chairman." said Colonel Lane. "It have already answered your question, and I have stated that I did not agree with the expert accountant."

Witness then stood aside.

## Opened the Mail.

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Opened the Mail.

Dr. Henderson again was called to the stand. Dr. Henderson stated that in the absence of Dr. Foster, his son had opened the hospital mail and had told him (Dr. Henderson), while acting superintendent, that his father had instructed him to open the mail. Witness said he had complained to Colonel Lane, commissioner, who had instructed that the official mail be turned over to him (Dr. Henderson). Witness said in answer to a question by Dr. Dunn that some of the mail addressed to Dr. Foster officially turned out to be private mail.

Colonel Lawless read rule 14 of the hospital rules, which stated that the superintendent should direct who should handle the mail in his absence. It developed that Dr. Henderson had preserved the envelopes of the opened letters and presented them to the committee. This would seem to indicate that this investigation was contemplated by some one as long ago as last February. When the letters were received and that evidence was gotten together before the legislative committee was appointed.

The committee adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

# The committee any to-morrow morning. Judge Taylor Garnett, Mr. George T. Bland and Mr. Clowes are here, ready to go upon the stand. It is expected that Hon, D. C. Richardson will be here tomorrow morning to refute the charges of J. S. Moore. A. P. ADVERTISE FOR

## CITY ENGINEERS

(Continued from First Page.)

once and again, "I read all the leading gas journals," and still again, "we have a good gas holder," and, intally, "when I wanted to build a house I got plans from an architect and paid him to superintend the work. "I got all I contracted for. The house cost me \$7,000; just what the plans called for."

Mr. Washer envelshed against competition, and declared with much spirit that it meant the dumping of countless lobbyists upon the councilmen. Mr. Miner was for one engineer, who should be selected by the committee.

"It is all popycock and tommyrot to have them all here, making plans at one time."

time."
"I want an engineer," replied Mr. Pollock, "but I don't want him here until we have the plans of competative bidders, and then he can tell us what is the best "I, too, want him to be the representa-tive of the city, but he should have be-fore him all the bids, and then choose the best."

Mr. Turpin asked Mr. Washer if he would prefer the opinion of one gas expert to that of many.

"Yes," replied the Fulton Alderman.

"The Bible says 'In a multitude of counsel there is wisdom," rejoined Mr. Turpin. Bible is Safe,

"But, we cannot always invoke the Bible in these legislative meetings," said Mr. Washer. "It is generally considered a pretty safe

"It is generally considered a pretty safe guide anywhere," was the president's reply, and here the colloquy closed, Messrs. Coha and McIlleheny representing Hunt & Co., told of their capacity and of the advantages of having one expert, and Mr. Meyer, an independent engineer, of Baltimore, said he would like to have consideration.

Mr. Pollock asked Mr. Knowles who he would favor for gas engineer, and his quick reply was, pointing to Mr. McIlleheny at the other end of the table, "There is my man."

"Oh! you have already made up your

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Councilman.
The committee rose at 8:15 o'clock to meet on June 11th at 8 o'clock.

# COMPANY DRIVEN

of the Pennsylvania Mairona, but got no relief.

"I believe," said the witness, "that somebody high up gave orders to freeze me out, and all of the others simply followed instructions. I believe A. J. Casatt is responsible. I believe through the community of interest plan he controls most of the railroad systems, and that

most of the railroad systems, and that plan has worked grievous harm to many shippors."

"Do you believe this policy has been adopted for the purpose of favoring certain operators?" asked Mr. Glasgow.

"Most assuredly. The Berwind-White Company, the Keystone Coal and Coke Company, the Keystone Coal and Coke Company and others have been favored."

"Why were you not so favored."

"I suppose because I didn't give the railroad officials shares of stock in our companies."

companies."
The witness said there was no system of rating. "Any method the railroad saw fit to introduce it did so." he said. He had written 234 letters to the railroad company asking for relief.

## Testimony of Others.

D. E. Williams and G. Brinton Roberts, of D. E. Williams and Company, testified that their company had suffered from ear shortage. Mr. Williams said he had never participated in special distribution of cars, but Mr. Glasgow read a telegram ordering a special assignment of cars to his mines. Mr. Williams said he know nothing of it. ears to his mines. M

Charles Heebner, counsel for the Berwind-White Company, made stren objection to furnishing the stock of the company or the stock transfe book to the commission. Fredericks Mo on the stand and Mr. Glasgow asked him to furnish the names of the stockholders. The attorncy said the company was willing to give the commission all the information to which it was entitled, but there appeared to be no good reason which the list of stockholders should be made public.

Asked if he would be willing to allow the commission and its counsel the stock

Asked if he would be winning to allow the commission and its counsel the stock transfer books he made a similar reply.

Mr. Glasgow suggested that it would be easier for the company to grant this request than for him to draw the information from the witness by examination.

Commissioner Cockrell took part in the discussion and said:

discussion, and said:
"We want to find out if any of the Penr sylvania Railroad officials are intereste in the company."

Chairman Knapp explained that the commssion simply desired to examine the list for its own enlightenment and fold Mr. Heebner that nothing found in the book would be placed on the record without first giving the company an opportunity of entering an objection if it is desired. This arrangement was satisfactory to Mr. Heebner, who promised to produce the stock transfer book.

Detined 6.35.

Rating of Mines.

W. A. Lathrop, of Wilkesbarre, president of the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke Company, the last witness of the session, was questioned concerning the rating to the mines. He said engineers of the railroad examined the mines, and upon their estimates and the actual shipments for a given period, the capacity was determined and the rating made. He was asked if the distribution of cars was always made in accordance with the rating, and replied that it was not. He further stated that his company had been counting the cars sent out by the railroad since 1901, and he was satisfied that the distribution sheets were frequently disregarded. Rating of Mines.

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Taste Product of Their Labot.

"Slip on this glass mask," said the foreman. "You will need it."

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"We make 1,000 tons of cyanide a year,"

Stealing Autos is Now Fine Art.

Stealing Autos is Now Fine Art.

Stealing automobiles has come to be a fine art, and the assumption that it is safe to leave a car standing unattended because there is not one man in a hundred, thief or otherwise, who could run it, no longer holds good

And this for the simple reason that the man who now steals a car is an ex-driver who knows the ropes more thoroughly than his master, perticularly where it is the latter's car that he has designs against. Nothing illustrates this better than the capture of a driver who was rounded up in the very act of getting away with the car of his former employer and every accessory that he could lay his hands upon.

He had taken adequate precautions against discovery by manufacturing a number of identification plates out of pieces of blackboard, with numbers of white paper pasted on so that they could be changed.—Motor World.

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A teaspoonful added to a glass of cold water Invigorates, Strengthens and Refreshes.

## COLONEL MANN HAS WITHDRAWN

Will Not Be Candidate for Democratic Nomination From Fourth District.

## VETERANS VISIT BATTLEFIELD

Frank Gould Inspects Virginia Passenger and Power Co. Property at Petersburg.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, VA., May 25.—Colonel
William Henry Mann, of this city, has
withdrawn as a candidate for the Demo-

withdrawn as a candidate for the Demo-cratic congressional nomination in this district. In discussing the matter this afternoon, Colonel Mann expressed his de-cision in these terms: "On account of circumstances that for-bid me from making as vizorous a can-vass as the exigencies of the case would seem to demand. I am constrained to withdraw from the contest for the Demo-cratic congressional nomination from the ratic congressional nomination from the

cratic congressional nomination from the Fourth District of Virginia."

The field is now left to Congressman Ecuthall and Major Lassiter. Major Lassiter has been making an active canvass for several months. Vague reports of the purposed withdrawal of Mr. Southall as a candidate for renomination are met by the story that he will soon begin an active canvas in the city.

VISITING BATTLEFIELDS.

The party of New York generals, col-

VISITING BATTLEFIELDS.
The party of New York generals, colonels, majors and legislators, who arrived here this evening spent this morning and afternoon driving around the lines of the slege of Petersburg, taking in all the famous forts and other points of historic interest, including Poplar Spring Church, under he guidance of C. A. Clarke, of this city. The route compassed about twenty miles of battlefields, Governor Higgins and Jeneral Daniel Sicyles, who were expected to be with the party, were unable to come. Generals Alexander S. Webb, Anson E. McCook, Colonel Clinton Beckwith and Major Charles R. Richardson, all members of the "New York Monuments Commission for the Battlefields of Gettysburg and the "New York Monuments Commission for the Battlefields of Gettysburg and Chattanooga," were among the party, which also included Lieutenant-Governor M. Linn Bruce, State Senators William Chattanooga," were among the party, which also included Lieutenant-Governor M. Linn Bruce, State Senators William W. Armstrong, George R. Malby, John Raines, J. P. Alids and Owen E. Cassidy and Assemblymen E. A. Merritt, Jr., J. T. Rogers, Arthur C. Wade, John C. Evansi, W. S. Shanahan, Colonel Archer E. Eaxter, clerk of the New York Assembly; Hugh Hastings, State Historian; Charles R. Hotaling, sergeant-at-arms to the Senate; George W. Shotwell, and Major A. J. Zabriskle, who is secretary and engineer to the Monument Commission, and is managing the present tour. GOULD MAKES INSPECTION.

The Virginia Pasenger and Power Company's Petersburg properties, especially the big electric power plant on the upper Appomattox River wer einspected this morning by a party of officials and engineers of the company including Frank Gould, William Northrop, S. W. Huff, Fritz Sitterding, Calvin Whiteley, A. E. Buchanan, W. C. Whitfield and others, all of whom came over and returned on the interurban line, leaving here after lunch at the Chesterfield hotel this afternoon.

A hot sun and a prospective tramp up

A hot sun and a prospective tramp up and down the four-mile canal rather dampened the ardor of some of the inspectors, so the party adjourned before viewing all the plant, preferring the car lines to the canal bank.

The flume gates and other machinery necessary to the turning of water into the canal have not yet arrived, but are expected in a few days, and as soon as the apparatus is installed the big plantwill start up, probably about June 151 POLICEMAN APPEALS.

Police Officer Collier's appeal from Mayor Jones's decision suspending him for alleged violation of a police regulation forbidding the contraction of a debt for an unreasonable length of time was susfained by Judge Muilen this aftertion foreidang the control of time was sustained by Judge Mullen this aftertion the ground that the Mayor's authority, as defined by the Constitution, does no tinclude such a case, which would come under the Jurisdiction of the police commissioners. The court reinstated the suspended policeman.

COTTON BAIL THIEF.

stated the suspended policeman.
COTTON BAIL THIEF.

A. W. Harris, the colored lawyer, charged with alding and abetting Robert Trainor, colored, in the theft of cotton bales from the commission house of Arrington and Green, was discharged from further persecution under the indictment by Judge Mullen in the Hustings Court this afternoon. The case has been pending for nearly six months. Harris was acquitted in the Mayor's Court, but Commonwenth's Attorney Mann secured an indictment, and brought it before the Hustings Court, where a fight on technical points of law has resulted in the discharge of Harris and the sentencing of Trainor to one year in the penitentiary. The city Finances Committee has decided to recommend an increase of \$300 per annum in the salary of the city engineer, and of \$900 in the health officer's salary.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FRANCONIA, VA., May 25.—J. M. Landrum, a brakeman on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomao and Washington Southern railways, slipped and feil and was caught between two balast cais at this place yesterday. His right foot was mashed very badly, amputation of the greater part of it being necessary. Ho was immediately removed to the Alexandria hospial, where he is reported as doing well. Mr. Landrum lives in Richmond, where he is well liked by all wooknow him, and his many friends will be sorry to hear of the sad accident.

of glass, and the foreman led the way to the cyanide of potassium department. "We make 1,000 tons of cyanide a year," he said. "A dose of five grains is a fatal one. Thus our annual product is enough to kill 2,500,000 people."

He opened a door and a room filled with writhing flames, dense shadows, sparks, smoke and weird figures in glass masks was revealed. In the center of the room, in a great cauldron, one hundred pounds of molten cyanide of potassium bubbled and seethed. The flames glinted strangely on the glass masks.

The foreman coughed.

"These fumes," he said, "are wholesome. The men, you see, are all robust. I have known weakly chaps, working here among these strange fumes, to pick up health and strength."

In another clean, cool room the finished cyanide was stored. It looked like crystalized white suigar, good enough to eat. "Good enough to eat." said the foreman, gravely. "Well, we have had men eat it. Four men committed suicide in that way. The fumes seem to create in our men a desire to taste the drug. They fight this desire, most of them, successfully, but they feel it, the same as workers in coffee plants want to chew the coffee beans, and some feel it so strongly as to succumb."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Stealing Autos is Now Fine Art.

Mays-Eutsey.

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NORIFOLK, VA., May 25.—Miss Viola,

was married yesterday afternion to Mr. Frederick Mays, of Brunswick, Md. The
ceremony was performed at the residence
of Mrs. J. M. Hampton, by Rev. W. A.

Smith, pastor of the Berkley Avenue Baptist Church.

After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Mays
left for their future home in West Virsin'ia.

Punctuality and noliteness are the in-separable companions of gentlemen.—La-murtine.